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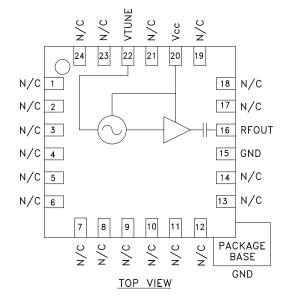


Typical Applications

Low noise MMIC VCO w/Buffer Amplifier for:

- Wireless Infrastructure
- Industrial Controls
- Test Equipment
- Military

Functional Diagram



HMC385LP4 / 385LP4E

MMIC VCO w/ BUFFER AMPLIFIER, 2.25 - 2.5 GHz

Features

Pout: +4.5 dBm Phase Noise: -115 dBc/Hz @100 KHz No External Resonator Needed Single Supply: 3V @ 35 mA QFN Leadless SMT Package, 16 mm²

General Description

The HMC385LP4 & HMC385LP4E are GaAs InGaP Heterojunction Bipolar Transistor (HBT) MMIC VCOs with integrated resonators, negative resistance devices, varactor diodes, and buffer amplifiers. Covering 2.25 to 2.5 GHz, the VCO's phase noise performance is excellent over temperature, shock, vibration and process due to the oscillator's monolithic structure. Power output is 4.5 dBm typical from a single supply of 3V @ 35mA. The voltage controlled oscillator is packaged in a low cost leadless QFN 4x4 mm surface mount package.

Electrical Specifications, $T_{A} = +25^{\circ} C$, Vcc = +3V

Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range		2.25 - 2.5		
Power Output	1.5	4.5		dBm
SSB Phase Noise @ 100 kHz Offset, Vtune= +5V @ RF Output		-115		dBc/Hz
Tune Voltage (Vtune)	0		10	V
Supply Current (Icc) (Vcc = +3.0V)		35		mA
Tune Port Leakage Current			10	μΑ
Output Return Loss		9		dB
Harmonics 2nd 3rd		-7 -23		dBc dBc
Pulling (into a 2.0:1 VSWR)		2.0		MHz pp
Pushing @ Vtune= +5V		-2		MHz/V
Frequency Drift Rate		0.25		MHz/°C

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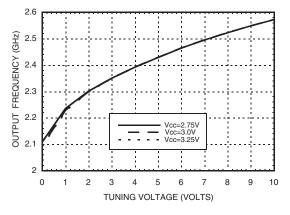
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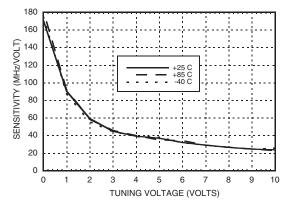
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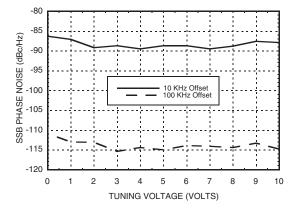
Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage, T= 25°C

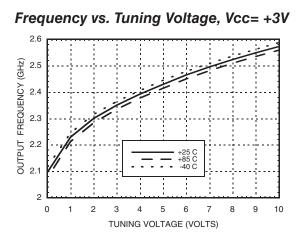


Sensitivity vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +3V



Phase Noise vs. Tuning Voltage



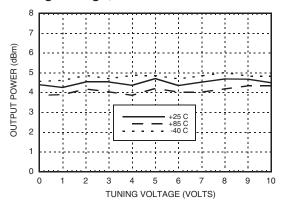


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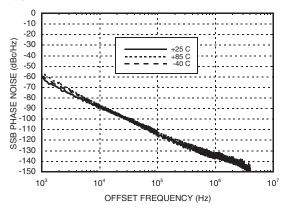
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Output Power vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +3V



Typical SSB Phase Noise @ Vtune= +5V



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Absolute Maximum Ratings

Vcc	+3.5 Vdc
Vtune	0 to +11V
Channel Temperature	135 °C
Continuous Pdiss (T = 85°C) (derate 6.28 mW/°C above 85°C)	565 W
Storage Temperature	-65 to +150 °C
Operating Temperature	-40 to +85 °C



ELECTROSTATIC SENSITIVE DEVICE OBSERVE HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

Outline Drawing

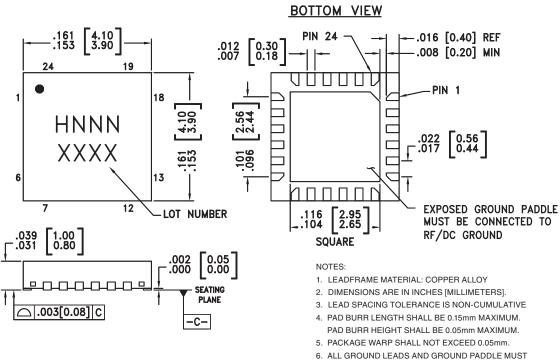
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Typical Supply Current vs. Vcc

Vcc (V)	Icc (mA)
2.75	28
3.0	35
3.25	41

Note: VCO will operate over full voltage range shown above.



BE SOLERED TO PCB RF GROUND.

7. REFER TO HITTITE APPLICATION NOTE FOR SUGGESTED PCB LAND PATTERN

Package Information

Part Number	Package Body Material	Lead Finish	MSL Rating	Package Marking ^[3]
HMC385LP4	Low Stress Injection Molded Plastic	Sn/Pb Solder	MSL1 ^[1]	H385 XXXX
HMC385LP4E	RoHS-compliant Low Stress Injection Molded Plastic	100% matte Sn	MSL1 ^[2]	<u>H385</u> XXXX

[1] Max peak reflow temperature of 235 $^\circ\text{C}$

[2] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C

[3] 4-Digit lot number XXXX

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Pin Descriptions

Pin Number	Function	Description	Interface Schematic
1- 14, 17 - 19, 21, 23, 24	N/C	No Connection	
15	GND	This pin must be connected to RF & DC ground.	
16	RFOUT	RF output (AC coupled)	
20	Vcc	Supply Voltage Vcc= 3V	VccO = 26pF =
22	VTUNE	Control Voltage Input. Modulation port bandwidth dependent on drive source impedance.	VTUNE 4.6pF \downarrow \downarrow $C;=$ 3.2pF
	GND	Package bottom has an exposed metal paddle that must be RF & DC grounded.	

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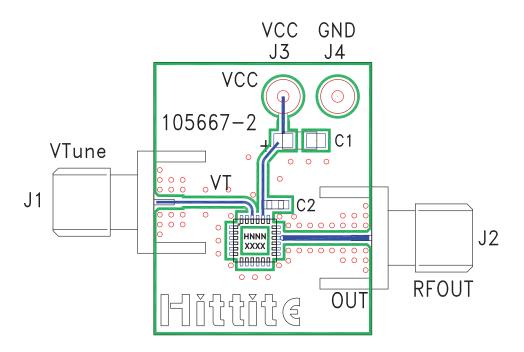
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Evaluation PCB



List of Materials for Evaluation PCB 105706^[1]

Item	Description	
J1 - J2	PCB Mount SMA RF Connector	
J3 - J4	DC Pin	
C1	4.7 µF Tantalum Capacitor	
C2	10,000 pF Capacitor, 0603 Pkg.	
U1	HMC385LP4 / HMC385LP4E VCO	
PCB [2]	105667 Eval Board	

Reference this number when ordering complete evaluation PCB
Circuit Board Material: Rogers 4350

The circuit board used in the final application should use RF circuit design techniques. Signal lines should have 50 ohm impedance while the package ground leads and exposed paddle should be connected directly to the ground plane similar to that shown. A sufficient number of via holes should be used to connect the top and bottom ground planes. The evaluation circuit board shown is available from Hittite upon request.

VCOs & PLOs - SMT

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